

**U.S. General Services Administration
Invitation for Bids**

**SALE OF GOVERNMENT REAL PROPERTY
NRCS Waco Property
IFB Number GSA-R-1804**

This Property is located 200 South Price Street, Waco, Texas 76704. The Property contains approximately 2.064 acres and is improved with 2 building of approximately 18,460 +/- gross square feet.

Bids for the purchase of the Government-owned Property described in the Property Description portion of this Invitation for Bids will be received continuously and will be posted at RealEstateSales.gov.

Auction Summary

Sale Type: **Online Auction**

Start Date: **January 29, 2015**

End Date: **Based on Bidding**

Starting Bid: **\$1.00**

Registration Deposit: **\$7,500.00**

Sales Information

Joe Potter, Realty Specialist
Phone: (817) 978-4240
e-mail: joseph.potter@gsa.gov

Online Auction

RealEstateSales.gov

Register and submit your bid

Online Auction Assistance

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Send Bid Form and Registration

Deposit to:

U.S. General Services Administration
Real Property Utilization and Disposal (7PZ)
819 Taylor Street, Room 11A30
Fort Worth, TX 76102-6103
Attn: Joe Potter

Property Disposal Web Page

<https://propertydisposal.gsa.gov>

Inspection Opportunities:

The Property will be open for inspection by Open House. The Open House dates are To Be Determined (TBD).

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PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

1. LOCATION AND SETTING

The property is located at 200 South Price Street, Waco, TX 76704

2. SALE PARCEL DESCRIPTION

The property is an L-Shaped parcel that is bordered on the East by the City of Waco Impound Lot fence, on the West by South Price Street, on the South Earle Avenue, and on the North by the I-35 Access Road.

3. TAX PARCEL ID

Property ID: 180804

McLennan County Appraisal District

4. UTILITIES & SERVICE PROVIDERS

Procurement of utility service shall be the responsibility of the Purchaser as of the date of conveyance. Bidders are urged to contact the utility providers below for information on the availability of utilities.

Water, Sewer and Storm Drain

City of Waco Water Department

425 Franklin Avenue

Waco, TX 76701

(254) 299-2489

www.wacowater.com

Natural Gas Provider

Atmos Energy

(888) 286-6700

www.atmosenergy.com

GENERAL TERMS OF SALE

1. DEFINITIONS

a. INVITATION FOR BIDS

The term "Invitation for Bids" ("IFB") refers to this document and the following items that are attached hereto and incorporated herein: the Property Description; General Terms of Sale; Instructions to Bidders; Notice and Covenants; Bidder Registration and Bid Form for Purchase of Government Property. Should the aforementioned documents be modified or supplemented by any addenda or amendments issued by the Government prior to the conclusion of the online auction, those addenda and amendments shall be part of the IFB.

b. GOVERNMENT

The term "Government" as used herein refers to the United States of America, and is used interchangeably with "Seller" and "Grantor."

c. GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

The term "General Services Administration" ("GSA") as used herein refers to the United States General Services Administration, a Federal agency.

d. PROPERTY

The term "Property" refers to the property or properties described in the Property Description of this IFB.

e. PURCHASER

The term "Purchaser" refers to the bidder whose bid the Government accepts and is used interchangeably with "Buyer" and "Grantee."

f. BIDDER(S)

The term "Bidder" or "Bidders" as used herein refers to the offeror or offerors for the purchase of the subject Property, and is used interchangeably with "you."

g. BID INCREMENT/INTERVAL

The "Bid Increment" is the minimum amount of money required to increase a starting or current bid. "Bid Interval" is the maximum amount of time in which to make a bid before the auction ends. The Bid Interval is also referred to as the Inactivity Period at RealEstateSales.gov.

h. FLAT BID

A flat bid is for an amount at least the current bid plus the posted minimum Bid Increment. If the bid is greater than another bidder's automatic bid, the system will consider this flat bid as the current (winning) bid. If the bid is less than or equal to another bidder's automatic bid, the system will record the bid but it will not be considered the current (winning) bid.

i. AUTOMATIC BID

Also known as "bid by proxy" wherein the bidder establishes a person to bid on their behalf at auction up to a certain limit. In the case of on-line auctions, computers have automated the proxy role and bidders establish their bid limits on-line and the software answers bid challenges by automatically making the next bid increment up to the proxy limit.

j. HIGH BIDDER

The term "High Bidder" refers to the bidder, whose bid conforms to the terms and conditions of the IFB, is the highest dollar bid at the close of the auction and is determined by the Government to be the most acceptable bid.

k. BACKUP BIDDER

The term "Backup Bidder" refers to the bidder, whose bid conforms to the terms and conditions of the IFB, is the second-highest dollar bid at the close of the auction and is determined by the Government to be the most acceptable bid.

l. EARNEST MONEY

The term "Earnest Money" refers to the Bidder's deposit of money demonstrating the Purchaser's good faith offer to the Government to fully execute and comply with all terms, conditions, covenants and agreements contained in any contract resulting from the Government's acceptance of the Bidder's offered bid price. Once a bid is accepted by the Government for contract, all prior deposits made by the Purchaser to register for the sale, subject to this Invitation for Bids, become Earnest Money to the benefit, custody, accountability and control of the Government.

m. WEBSITE

The GSA Auctions® website, GSAuctions.gov, has been developed to allow the general public the opportunity to bid electronically on a wide array of Federal assets, including real property. Auctions for real property are offered as a separate asset category at GSA Auctions and can be viewed at RealEstateSales.gov. Additional information can also be found at propertydisposal.gsa.gov.

n. BROKER/BROKERAGE

The term "broker" as used herein refers to a person with an active real estate license in the State where he/she practices real estate who, in exchange for a commission, acts for another person or entity solely as agent in conformance with Instructions to Bidders, Paragraph 12, "Broker Participation" contained herein. The "brokerage" is the business entity of the broker representing the Bidder(s). A broker must be an agent and cannot be a party to the contract to receive a commission.

2. DESCRIPTION PROVIDED IN IFB

The description of the Property, and all other information provided with respect to the Property set forth in the IFB, are based on the best information available to GSA, Real Property Utilization and Disposal (7PZ) and are believed to be correct. Any error or omission, including but not limited to, the omission of any information available to the agency having custody over the Property and/or any other Federal agency, shall NOT constitute grounds or reason for nonperformance of the contract of sale, or claim by purchaser for allowance, refund or deduction from the purchase price.

3. INSPECTION

The Property will be made open for inspection at the following times:

The date of the Open House is To Be Determined (TBD).

No one will be allowed access to the Property without the presence of a GSA employee or designee.

Bidders are invited, urged, and cautioned to inspect the Property prior to submitting a bid. The failure of any bidder to inspect, or to be fully informed as to the condition of all or any portion of the Property, will not constitute grounds for any claim or demand for adjustment or withdrawal of a bid after the auction.

4. CONTRACT

The IFB and the bid, when accepted by the Government shall constitute an agreement for sale ("Agreement") between the high bidder ("Purchaser") and the Government. Such Agreement shall constitute the whole contract to be succeeded only by the formal instrument(s) of transfer, unless modified in writing and signed by both parties. No oral statements or representations made by, or for, or on behalf of either party shall be a part of such contract. In addition, the Purchaser shall not transfer or assign the Agreement without the express written consent of the Government. Any assignment transaction without such consent shall be void.

5. CONDITION OF PROPERTY

The Property is offered for sale **“AS IS” AND “WHERE IS”** without representation or warranty, expressed or implied. The Purchaser, and Purchaser's successors and assigns, or any party-in-possession of the Property, or any part thereof, further acknowledges that the Government makes no representations or warranty concerning the title, zoning, character, condition, size, quantity, quality and state of repair of the Property. The Government makes no other agreement or promise to alter, improve, adapt or repair the Property not otherwise contained herein. Purchaser shall rely solely on its own due diligence and examination of the Property. Purchaser acknowledges that there will be no claims or any allowances or deductions upon grounds that the Property is not in condition or fit to be used for any purpose intended by the Purchaser after the conclusion of the auction. This “As Is, Where Is” provision is more fully set forth in the Deed Without Warranty, a draft deed is attached on page 17.

6. ZONING

According to the City of Waco Planning and Zoning Office the Property is zoned R-2 Low Density Residential. The Property is subject to the jurisdiction of the City of Waco Planning and Zoning Office. Verification of the present zoning and determination of permitted uses, along with compliance of the Property for any proposed future use, shall be the responsibility of the bidder; and the Government makes no representation in regard to zoning matters. Any inaccuracies or changes in the zoning information shall NOT be cause for adjustment or rescission of any contract resulting from this IFB.

For more information contact:

Planning Services
P.O. Box 2570
Waco, TX 76702-2570
Phone: (254) 750-5650
Email: planning@ci.waco.tx.us
Website: www.waco-texas.com

7. RISK OF LOSS

As of the date of conveyance of the Property, the Purchaser shall assume all responsibility for care and handling and all risks of loss or damage to the Property, including but not limited to all buildings and other improvements located thereon, and assume all obligations and liabilities of ownership and no claim for any allowance or deduction upon such grounds will be considered after the conclusion of an auction.

8. TAXES, ASSESSMENTS AND OTHER COSTS

As of the date of conveyance of the Property, the Purchaser shall assume responsibility for all general and special real and personal property taxes or other assessments which have been or may be assessed on the Property, and for all sums due to be paid by the Government in lieu of taxes, which amount shall be prorated.

9. REVOCATION OF BID AND DEFAULT

Purchaser agrees that bids made to purchase the Property are binding offers and once accepted for contract by the Government, all deposits made by the Purchaser to register for the sale, subject to this Invitation for Bids, become Earnest Money to the benefit, custody and accountability of the Government.

In the event of (1) revocation of a bid after the conclusion of an auction, but prior to acceptance of the high bid by the Government, or (2) in the event of revocation of a bid after notice of acceptance, or (3) in the event of any default by the Purchaser in the performance of the contract of sale created by such acceptance, or (4) in the event of failure by the Purchaser to consummate the transaction, the Purchaser agrees that any Earnest Money and all deposits paid to the Government in any acceptable form, including credit card, together with any payments subsequently made on account, are subject to forfeit by the Purchaser to the Government at the option of the Government as damages for breach of contract, in which event the Purchaser shall be relieved from further liability. Purchaser agrees that all deposits made with credit cards are subject to forfeit upon Government determination of Purchaser's default and breach of contract. Purchaser shall not request retrieval, chargeback or any other cardholder refund.

Purchaser agrees and understands that a debt to the United States of America subject to claim or collection by applicable Federal law may be created if their Earnest Money is in any way made unavailable to the Government and that any party that knowingly participates in such retrieval or refund may be held fully accountable for interfering with a Government contract.

10. GOVERNMENT LIABILITY

If the Government accepts a bid for the purchase of the Property and (1) the Government fails for any reason to perform its obligations as set forth herein; or (2) title does not transfer or vest in the Purchaser for any reason, although Purchaser is ready, willing, and able to close; or (3) any other contractual claim or cause of action hereafter accrues in favor of Purchaser under the terms of this IFB, Government's liability to Purchaser shall be strictly limited to all amounts of money Purchaser has paid to Government without interest whereupon Government shall have no further liability to Purchaser.

11. TITLE EVIDENCE

Any bidder, at its sole cost and expense, may procure any title evidence that the said bidder desires. The Government will, however, cooperate with the Purchaser or their authorized agent in this transaction, and will permit examination and inspection of such deeds, abstracts, affidavits of title, judgments in condemnation proceedings, or other documents relating to the title of the premises and Property involved, as it may have available. It is understood and agreed that the Government is not obligated to pay for any expense incurred in connection with title matters or survey of the Property.

12. TITLE

If a bid for the purchase of the Property is accepted, a quitclaim deed or a deed without warranty in conformity with local law and practice will convey the Government's interest. The Government does not pay for or provide title insurance.

13. EASEMENTS, ENCROACHMENTS AND RESERVATIONS

The Property will be sold subject to any and all covenants, reservations, easements, restrictions, encroachments, and rights, recorded or unrecorded, in favor of third parties, for highways, streets, power lines, telephone lines and equipment, pipelines, drainage, sewer and water mains and lines, public utilities, public roads, railroads and other rights-of-way, and any easements, reservations, rights and covenants reserved by the Grantor herein as fully set forth in the Deed Without Warranty, a draft deed is attached on page 17.

14. COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES

The Purchaser warrants that he or she has not employed or retained any person or agency to solicit or secure this contract upon any agreement or understanding for commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee. Breach of this warranty shall give the Government the right to annul the contract without liability or in its discretion to recover from the Purchaser the amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee in addition to the consideration herewith set forth. This warranty shall not apply to commissions payable by the Purchaser upon the contract secured or made through bona fide established commercial agencies maintained by the Purchaser for the purpose of doing business. "Bona fide established commercial agencies" has been construed to include licensed real estate brokers engaged in the business generally.

15. CONTINUING OFFERS

Each bid received shall be deemed to be a continuing offer for sixty (60) calendar days after the close of the online auction until the bid is accepted or rejected by the Government.

If the Government desires to accept any bid after the expiration of the sixty (60) calendar days, the consent of the bidder shall be obtained prior to such acceptance.

16. TENDER OF PAYMENT AND DELIVERY OF INSTRUMENT OF CONVEYANCE

The closing date of the sale is thirty (30) calendar days after acceptance of the bid. Upon agreement by the Government, the Purchaser may close the transaction prior to the thirty (30) calendar day period.

On the closing date, the Purchaser shall tender to the Government (or to the Escrow Holder) the balance of the purchase price in the form of a cashier's check, certified check or electronic wire transfer. Upon confirmation that Purchaser's wire transferred funds have been received by the Government or that Purchaser's funds by check have been confirmed to the satisfaction of the Government, the Government shall deliver to the Purchaser the instrument, or instruments, of conveyance. Possession of the Property will be assumed by the Purchaser at the time of closing. The Government reserves the right to extend the closing date for a reasonable amount of time.

17. DELAYED CLOSING

Any change to the established closing date is subject to the written approval by the Government. The Government reserves the right to refuse a request for extension of closing. However, if the Government grants an extension, the Purchaser may be required to pay either: (i) a liquidated damages assessment of \$150.00 per day; or (ii) interest on the outstanding balance of the purchase price, whichever is greater, if the closing of the sale is delayed, and the delay is caused, directly or indirectly, by the Purchaser's action or inaction and not by any action on the part of the Government. The interest rate shall be computed based on the yield of 10-year United States Treasury maturities as reported by the Federal Reserve Board in "Federal Reserve Statistical Release H.15" plus 1-1/2% rounded to the nearest one-eighth percent (1/8%) as of the date of bid acceptance. The Government may impose additional terms and conditions to grant an extension.

18. CLOSING COSTS, DOCUMENTARY STAMPS AND COST OF RECORDING

All closing costs, including escrow and financing fees, shall be borne solely by the Purchaser. The Purchaser shall pay all taxes and fees imposed on this transaction and shall obtain at Purchaser's own expense and affix to all instruments of conveyance and security documents such revenue and documentary stamps as may be required by Federal, state and local law.

All instruments of conveyance and security documents shall be placed on record in the manner prescribed by local recording statutes at the Purchaser's expense.

A conformed copy of the recorded Deed Without Warranty shall be provided by the Purchaser to GSA, within five (5) business days after recording, at the following address:

U.S. General Services Administration
Real Property Utilization and Disposal (7PZ)
819 Taylor Street, Room 11A30
Fort Worth, TX 76102-6103
Attn: Joe Potter

19. OFFICIALS NOT TO BENEFIT

No member or delegate to the Congress, or resident commissioner shall be admitted to any share or part of the contract of sale or to any benefit that may arise therefrom, but this provision shall not be construed to extend to the contract of sale if made with a corporation for its general benefit. GSA employees are prohibited from bidding on the Property offered in the IFB.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. AUCTION START DATE

The auction opens on Tuesday, January 29, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. (Central Time).

2. TYPE OF SALE

This sale will be an online auction conducted at RealEstateSales.gov. The auction will be conducted over a period of time, usually several weeks, as determined by bid activity. The date of the auction close (see Instruction to Bidders, Paragraph 10, "Auction Close") will be announced at RealEstateSales.gov, with at least three business days prior notice. The auction may continue beyond that date as long as bidders continue to submit higher bids. Thus, the bidders determine when the sale closes by their bidding activity.

3. BIDS AND TERMS OF SALE

Bids to purchase must be ALL-CASH. Buyers are expected to arrange their own financing and to pay the balance in full by the closing date. No Government credit terms are available. GSA has no information on the availability of private financing or on the suitability of this Property for financing.

4. STARTING BID

This auction is being opened with an amount which does not represent the value of the Property but rather provides a reasonable starting point for the online auction. The starting bid will be displayed as the Current Bid. The Government seeks to obtain fair market value for the Property and reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

5. BIDDER REGISTRATION AND DEPOSIT

a. Bidder registration is a three-step process:

- (1) Complete Online Registration: Bidders must register online at RealEstateSales.gov. Click on "Register", establish a Username and Password and provide the requested account information. A Username and Password are used to register online and to place bids. The required password must be between six and fifteen characters. You will be asked to read and agree to the terms and conditions of the Website. GSA reserves the right to change the online terms and conditions. A previously registered bidder of GSAuctions.gov can login using the established Username and Password. In the event you forget your Username or Password, or both, or are locked out from the system, it is your responsibility to obtain your Username and Password from RealEstateSales.gov. GSA staff cannot assist in retrieving a lost or forgotten Username or Password.

You may register as either an individual or as a company and this information must be the same information provided on the Bidder Registration and Bid Form for Purchase of Government Real Property. Changes to title may be considered after award at the discretion of the Government. If you wish to participate as an individual and a representative of a company, you must register separately for each and place bids accordingly.

In accordance with Public Law No. 104-134, Section 31001, the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996, the Tax Identification Number (TIN) must be provided by anyone conducting business with the Federal Government, from which a debt to the Government may arise. Individuals cannot successfully register to bid on items without providing a TIN. A TIN is defined as an individual's Social Security Number (SSN) or business entity's Employer Identification Number (EIN). If you registered as an Individual, your SSN will be validated with your name and address. If you registered as a Company, your business identity's EIN will be validated with your company name and address. The use of an individual's SSN is subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. Section 552a), and will be collected only to verify the data submitted by the user and for the proper refund of the Registration Deposit.

A credit card validation process will be conducted to prevent potential fraudulent bidding activity and to ensure that bidders are prepared to accept responsibility for their bidding activity and all submitted bids are valid. **The credit card information you provide at registration is used strictly for validation purposes. GSA Auctions® does not automatically charge credit cards on file. You may use a different credit card to provide the required Registration Deposit. Credit card registration deposits for real property sales cannot be made via GSA Auctions®.**

For more information and assistance on the online registration process, please go to <https://gsaauctions.gov/html/help/index.html>.

- (2) Complete Registration Form: Bidders must complete and submit the official Bid Form titled "Bidder Registration and Bid Form for Purchase of Government Real Property" accompanying this IFB. All information and certification requested thereon must be provided. Bidder registration and bids submitted which fail to furnish all information or certifications required may be summarily rejected. The Bid Form should be filled out legibly with all erasures, strikeovers and corrections initialed by the person signing the bid. The Bid Form must be signed and dated. Additional bid forms are available upon request or you may photocopy the form in this IFB.
- (3) Provide Registration Deposit: A deposit in the amount of **\$7,500.00** (the "Registration Deposit") must accompany your Bidder Registration and Bid Form. Registration Deposits must be provided in the form of a cashier's check, certified check or credit card (Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express). Personal or company checks are NOT acceptable and will be returned to the sender. Checks must be made payable to: "U.S. General Services Administration." For deposits by credit card, bidders must also complete Registration Deposit portion of the official Bid Form to be authorized to bid.

Only upon verification of your Registration Deposit, will you be allowed to bid. All Registration Deposits received will be deposited with the U.S. Treasury, in a non-interest bearing account, immediately upon receipt.

- b. To complete the bidder registration process, please submit the completed Bidder Registration and Bid Form for Purchase of Government Real Property, along with the required Registration Deposit to:

U.S. General Services Administration
Real Property Utilization and Disposal (7PZ)
819 Taylor Street, Rm. 11A30
Fort Worth, TX 76102-6103
Attn: Joe Potter

If the Registration Deposit is to be provided by credit card, the Bidder Registration and Bid Form can also be submitted to GSA by fax at (817) 978-2063.

- c. It is the responsibility of the bidder to ensure that adequate time is available to complete the registration process as described above. The Government makes no representation or guarantee that any additional assistance or time will be provided to complete the registration process. No bidder will be allowed to participate in the sale until the entire registration process is complete.
- d. Registration may occur any time prior to the conclusion of the auction. The Government, however, makes no representation or guarantee that your registration will be completed prior to the announced date and time for the receipt of final bids. Therefore, bidders are encouraged to register before the auction opens.

6. BIDDING IN GENERAL

- a. Registered bidders may bid online by following the instructions at RealEstateSales.gov. By submitting your bid through RealEstateSales.gov, you agree that your bid is a binding offer. You will be legally obligated for any and all bids submitted using your Username and password.

After successful completion of the registration process, users, also known as "Bidders," are permitted to participate in online auctions. The Bidder Menu provides you with the capability to browse and place bids; track items of interest; follow auctions where bids have been placed; to change your personal information and settings; and to access an easy-to-use online Help Menu.

GSA Auctions® provides up-to-date information on your bidding status. You can check the bidding status by clicking on the Bid History.

- b. Bids received through RealEstateSales.gov are date and time stamped Central Time. The Government will not be responsible for any discrepancies between the time indicated on the Website and the apparent time indicated, displayed, or otherwise stated or represented by a registered bidder.
- c. Bids must be submitted without contingencies.
- d. Bidders that are currently in default status on GSAAuctions®, for non-payment or non-removal of items, will not be allowed to place bids for real property. They will only be allowed to "browse" the items. Once a bidder cures their default, they will be unblocked and be given access to begin bidding on items upon receipt of the required Registration Deposit. For more information, review the GSAAuctions® [Terms and Conditions](#).

7. CONTINUOUS BIDDING RESULTS AND AUCTION INFORMATION

Bidders are strongly encouraged to monitor bidding activity at RealEstateSales.gov. Bidders may also review bid activity by clicking on the "My Messages" tab once logged in. New bids are immediately posted at RealEstateSales.gov upon receipt. If you no longer have the high bid and the sale has not closed, you can go back to the item and place another bid. Bids cannot be lowered or canceled.

If your bid is not accurately shown on RealEstateSales.gov, then you should call GSA at (817) 978-4240 or (817) 978-2331. Bidders are urged to pay close attention to RealEstateSales.gov which will contain new, revised, and useful information regarding the high bid, modification to bid increment and the closing date of the auction.

8. ONLINE BIDDING

RealEstateSales.gov allows you to place either a flat or automatic ("proxy") bid. A flat bid is for an amount at least the current bid plus the posted minimum Bid Increment. If the bid is greater than another bidder's automatic bid, the system will consider this flat bid as the current (winning) bid. If the bid is less than or equal to another bidder's automatic bid, the system will record the bid but it will not be considered the current (winning) bid. The required minimum bid will be specified on the bid screen and once entered it will be displayed as the winning bid unless an automatic bid that is greater than this amount has been placed.

An automatic bid is an amount that you set above the posted minimum bid. Realestatesales.gov will use as much of your bid as needed to make you the current winner of the auction or to meet the auction's reserve price. The system will automatically apply the minimum Bid Increment up to the total amount bid to make you the current winner of the auction or to meet the auction's reserve price. Your automatic bid amount is not shown to other bidders until it is reached through competitive bidding. You may change your bid amount but not less than the next bid increment amount. If the system reaches your automatic bid limit, it stops bidding for you. Submit another bid if you want to continue bidding. If you selected to receive e-mail notifications during registration, the system will notify you if you are no longer holding the winning bid. You can submit another flat bid or reset your automatic bid amount if you want to continue bidding. Your automatic bid is not shown to other bidders. If a reserve price is set, RealEstateSales.gov will use as much of your bid as needed to meet the reserve price.

When two automatic bids compete, the greater of the two always wins. If the greater automatic limit does not exceed the lesser automatic limit by the full stated Bid Increment, then the greater automatic limit bid is placed. You may increase or decrease your automatic bid limit at any time. You cannot decrease your automatic bid below the current bid. If you are currently the winner in an auction, increasing your automatic bid will not increase your current bid until challenged by another bid. Changing your automatic bid may affect the indicated time remaining.

If you learn from RealEstateSales.gov that your bid was not the high bid, or if another bidder exceeds your previous high bid, you may increase your bid at RealEstateSales.gov until such time as bidding is closed. Increases in previously submitted bids are welcome. All increased bids must be made online. **The Government reserves the right to modify the Bid Increment at any time prior to the close of the auction.**

9. TRANSMISSION AND RECEIPT OF BIDS

The Government will not be responsible for any failure attributable to the inability of the bidder to transmit or the Government to receive registration information, bid forms or a bid by any method. Failure to receive registration information, bid forms or a bid may include, but is not limited to the following:

- a. Receipt of a garbled or incomplete bid.
- b. Availability or condition of the sending or receiving electronic equipment.
- c. Incompatibility between the sending and receiving equipment and software.
- d. Malfunctioning of any network, computer hardware or software.
- e. Delay in transmission or receipt of a bid.
- f. Failure of bidder to properly identify the bid.
- g. Security of bid data.
- h. Inability of bidder to enter bid. For example: due to lost or forgotten password or system lock due to repeated login failures.
- i. Unavailability of GSA personnel.

If your bid is not accurately shown or you cannot enter a bid at RealEstateSales.gov then you should call GSA at (817) 978-4240 or (817) 978-2331 for assistance.

The Website will NOT be available during the following system maintenance windows:

- Saturday: 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. CT
- Sunday: 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. CT

The Website may NOT be available during the following system maintenance window:

- Wednesday: 5:00 a.m. to 6:30 a.m. CT

Occasionally, technical problems will interrupt the bidding process for an unspecified amount of time. These interruptions may affect some or all bidders. In the event of an interruption, an evaluation of the length of interruption time and the numbers of bidders affected may prompt GSA AuctionsSM to extend the closing time for an auction. Extension may range from 1 hour to 24 hours based on the aforementioned criteria, to insure fair and full competition. An email notification will be sent to those bidders who participated in these auctions when they are extended.

10. AUCTION CLOSE

The Government will announce a date and time for the Close Time on RealEstateSales.gov. The Government will also set a Bid Interval or "challenge" period for bids. The Time Remaining countdown clock announces the time left to bid. The High Bid must survive the Bid Interval without challenge, usually within 24 hours of the auction close time, to win. If the High Bid on the announced date and time survives the full Bid Interval period without challenge, then bidding will close at the stated time and consideration for award will be given to the High Bidder.

If an increased bid is received within the Time Remaining and the Bid Interval is 24 hours, then bidding will be held over for an additional Bid Interval (including weekends and Federal holidays) beginning at the time the increased bid is placed. This process will continue until the high bid survives the full Bid Interval period unchallenged. Bid Intervals may be changed from 24 hours (reduced or increased) as determined by the Government. For Bid Intervals of less than 24 hours, the auction will not close during non-

business hours, weekends or Federal holidays and the bidding will continue to the next business day. **The Government reserves the right to increase or decrease the Bid Interval at any time prior to the close of the auction.** Bidder agrees that notices of changes to the sale are satisfactory when made available on the Website at RealEstateSales.gov.

11. ACCEPTABLE BID

An acceptable bid is one received from a responsible bidder, whose bid, conforming to this IFB, will be most advantageous to the Government.

12. BROKER PARTICIPATION

Subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter provided, a Bidder's Broker commission is allowed as follows to any properly licensed real estate broker/agent who submits his/her Broker Participation Registration Form according to the terms and conditions of the Invitation for Bids for this sale and whose client is the successful purchaser of the property. Commission is earned only at closing and funding for the total contract price for the property.

- a. Two percent (2.0%) commission will be paid on the client's opening automatic or flat bid.
- b. One percent (1.0%) commission will be paid on the balance remaining between the High Bidder's initial opening automatic or flat bid and the final High Bid Price.

If the High Bidder's initial opening automatic bid exceeds the final sale price accepted for contract, then a total of two percent (2.0%) of the high bid price of the property(s) purchased by that broker's client will be paid to that broker as a commission.

The broker's commission will not exceed two percent (2.0%) of the High Bid Price of the property(s) purchased by that broker's client.

In order to be entitled to any commission, the broker must:

- c. Register his/her client by filling out the client's first Bid Form and Buyer's Broker Participation Registration Form in full, including the signature of the client on the form.
- d. Submit the Bidder's first Bid Form, Registration Deposit and the Buyer's Broker Participation Registration Form via fax at **817-978-2063** or mail to: **U.S. General Services Administration, Real Property Utilization & Disposal Division (7PZ), 819 Taylor Street, Rm. 11A30, Fort Worth, Texas 76102**. Broker forms arriving without their client's first Bid Form will not be honored. Broker Registration forms sent anywhere other than the above address and fax number will not be honored.
- e. Assist the registration of the client for the auction and encourage bidding.
- f. Abide by the guidelines outlined herein.

"Opening automatic bid" means the Bidder's first bid made as a automatic bid (bid by proxy), herein defined, or first minimum bid allowed, herein described or on the realestatesales.gov website and evidenced therein. Bidder and Bidder's Broker agree that only the Bidder's first bid recorded by realestatesales.gov and the final contract price will be used to establish the commission paid and that the Government's calculation and communication of said commission amount is final. Government determined commission payment is made by Bidder to Bidder's Broker and deducted from the full purchase price due to the Government. Brokers are advised to obtain a "Buyer's Representation Agreement" or other binding agreement with their client as the Government does not guarantee that the Bidder will make the agreed payment nor is this an agreement between the Broker and the Government. No other evidence, documentation, verbal or written or electronic communication provided by the Bidder or Bidder's Broker may be used to contest the commission amount determined by the Government.

- g. Commission is prohibited if the Buyer is a real estate broker, agent, or salesperson, or if the Bidder is a controlling owner, partner, officer, corporate or organization board member, employer or employee of the brokerage entity that claims to represent the Buyer as an agent.

13. BID EXECUTED ON BEHALF OF BIDDER

A bid executed by an attorney or agent on behalf of the bidder shall be accompanied by an authenticated copy of their Power of Attorney or other evidence of their authority to act on behalf of the bidder.

If the bidder is a corporation, the Certificate of Corporate/Organization Bidder, included in this IFB, must be executed. The certificate must be executed under the corporate seal by some duly authorized officer of the corporation other than the officer signing the bid. In lieu of the Certificate of Corporate Bidder, there may be attached to the bid, copies of so much of the records of the corporation as will show the official character and authority of the officer signing, duly certified by the secretary or assistant secretary, under the corporate seal, to be true copies.

If the bidder is a partnership, and all partners sign the bid, with a notation that they are all general partners, the Government will not ordinarily require any further proof of the existence of the partnership. If all the partners do not sign the bid, then the names of all those except limited partners must be furnished on the bid and the Government, in its discretion, may require evidence of the authority of the signer(s) to execute the bid on behalf of the partnership. The name(s) and signature(s) of the designated bidder(s) must be included on the Bidder Registration and Bid Form.

If the bidder is a limited liability company, a certificate of the LLC must be completed and executed by the manager and submitted with the Bidder Registration Form. The Certificate of Corporate/Organization Bidder form may be used for this purpose.

14. NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION

Notice by the Government of acceptance or rejection of the bid shall be deemed to have been sufficiently given when faxed or mailed to the bidder or their duly authorized representative at the fax/phone number or address indicated in the bid. The processing of a registration deposit by the Government shall not, in itself, constitute acceptance of the bidder's offer. The Government reserves the right to reject any or all bids or portions thereof for any reason.

15. AUCTION SUSPENSION OR CANCELLATION

The Government reserves the right to temporarily suspend or cancel the auction for any reason without award and resume the auction or start a new auction at any time. In the event of a temporary suspension due to technical problems, or other bidding issues, the Government will determine the high bidder and the high bid amount, re-open bidding, and allow the auction to proceed according to the bidding terms described herein. The Government reserves the right to cancel the sale at any time and Registration Deposits will be returned to bidders without interest or further obligation by the Government.

16. ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND ACCEPTANCE OF DEED TERMS

- a. Upon award, an unexecuted deed will be delivered to Purchaser by mail. Within five (5) business days of acceptance of a bid by Government, the Purchaser must sign the Grantee acceptance line of the deed and return it to GSA by mail with the earnest money deposit described in Instructions to Bidders, Paragraph 17, "Ten Percent Earnest Money and Transaction Closing", to the following address:

U.S. General Services Administration
Real Property Utilization and Disposal (7PZ)
819 Taylor Street, Rm. 11A30
Fort Worth, TX 76102-6103
Attn: Joe Potter
- b. Failure to provide acknowledgment and acceptance of the deed terms will result in a default and forfeiture of the Registration Deposit.
- c. A draft Deed Without Warranty can be found on page 17.

17. INCREASE OF EARNEST MONEY AND TRANSACTION CLOSING

Within Five (5) business days of acceptance of a bid by the Government, the Purchaser agrees to deposit Earnest Money in the form of a bank certified or cashier's check or wired funds transfer, equal to at least

ten percent (10%) of the total bid in addition to any prior credit card deposits. Failure to provide these funds will result in a default and forfeiture of the Registration Deposit. Upon receipt of the Earnest Money deposit, applicable credit card registration deposits may be refunded.

Upon acceptance of a bid, the Earnest Money shall be applied towards payment of the Purchaser's obligation to the Government. The full balance of the purchase price in the form of a certified check, cashier's check or electronic wire transfer is payable within Thirty (30) calendar days after acceptance of bid. At the time of closing, all monies paid by the Purchaser will be credited, without interest, toward the total purchase price.

18. REFUND OF REGISTRATION DEPOSITS

Registration Deposits accompanying bids that are rejected will be refunded to bidders without interest. Bidders who provided Registration Deposits by check may elect to receive the refund by U.S. Treasury check or by an electronic funds transfer (EFT). Bidders will be required to provide GSA with a Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) to ensure the proper refund of the Registration Deposit by the U.S. Treasury. The TIN may be either a Social Security Number (SSN) or an Employer Identification Number (EIN). The use of an individual's SSN is subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. Section 552a), and will be collected only for the proper refund of the Registration Deposit. Refunds will only be processed to the same individual or entity identified by the TIN. Bidders requesting to receive a refund by EFT will be required to provide additional information to GSA including bank account information to process the refund. Registration Deposits provided by credit card will be credited to the same account number provided.

Upon receipt of the Earnest Money described in Instructions Bidders, Paragraph 17, "Ten Percent Earnest Money and Transaction Closing", credit card deposits may be refunded.

Registration Deposits received from the second highest bidder will be held as stipulated in Instructions to Bidders, Paragraph 19, "Backup Bidder". All other Registration Deposits will be processed for refunds after the last day of the auction or upon written request to withdraw from the auction unless the bidder is the first or second highest bidder. Refunds by U.S. Treasury check or by EFT will be processed in a timely manner but may require several weeks to complete. Refunds to a credit card will usually be processed within three business days.

19. BACKUP BIDDER

The second-highest bidder will be the Backup Bidder. The bid of the Backup Bidder may be considered for acceptance for the duration of Continuing Offer period described in General Terms of Sale, Paragraph 15, "Continuing Offers", if: 1) the original High Bidder is unable to fully complete the transaction according to the terms and conditions of the IFB; or 2) if the original High Bidder fails to provide the required 10% of the purchase price as Earnest Money. The Bidder identified as the Backup Bidder agrees that their Bid remains a bona fide offer with which their Registration Deposit may be retained without interest, until the High Bidder provides the 10% Earnest Money or completes the transaction or both, at the Government's discretion. During the Continuing Offer period, the Bidder identified as the Backup Bidder agrees that they will not request retrieval, chargeback or any other cardholder refund and understands that a debt to the United States of America may be created if their deposits are in any way unavailable to the Government to which any party that participates in such chargeback or refund may be held accountable as provided in General Terms of Sale, Paragraph 9, "Revocation of Bid and Default". When the Backup Bidder is converted to the High Bidder, all terms, conditions and agreements described in the IFB are applicable to the successful bidder.

The Registration Deposit of the Backup Bidder will be returned as described in Instructions to Bidders, Paragraph 18, "Refund of Registration Deposits", if the Backup Bidder is not converted to the High Bidder. In the event that the Government is unable to complete the transaction with the highest or backup bidder, the Government reserves the right to consider the remaining bid(s) and accept a bid that is in the best interest of the Government.

20. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

GSA will provide additional copies of this IFB and make every effort to answer requests for additional information concerning the Property to facilitate preparation of bids. Each bid shall be deemed to have been made with full knowledge of all terms, conditions, and requirements contained in this IFB and any amendments made thereto prior to bid acceptance. Bidders may also review the information pertaining to the Property at <https://propertydisposal.gsa.gov> or RealEstateSales.gov.

21. WAIVER OF INFORMALITIES OR IRREGULARITIES

The Government may, at its election, waive any minor informality or irregularity in bids received.

NOTICES AND COVENANTS

Notice and Covenants are more fully described in the attached draft Deed Without Warranty located on page 17.

DEED WITHOUT WARRANTY/ASSIGNMENT OF EASEMENT

STATE OF TEXAS

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KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS:

COUNTY OF MCLENNAN

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THIS DEED WITHOUT WARRANTY/ASSIGNMENT OF EASEMENT is made this ____ day of _____, 2015, by and between the **United States of America** (herein sometimes referred to as the "Government"), acting by and through the Administrator of General Services (hereinafter referred to as "Grantor"), under and pursuant to authority of 40 U.S.C. § 541, et. seq., as amended, and rules, orders, and regulations issued pursuant thereto, and _____ (hereinafter referred to as "Grantee"). The terms used to designate any of the parties herein shall include their respective representatives, successors and assigns of said parties.

I. Quitclaim of the Fee Estate

Grantor, for and in consideration of: (i) the sum of _____ (\$ _____ .00), duly paid by the Grantee, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and (ii) the specific agreements hereinafter made by Grantee, for itself, and its successors and assigns, to abide by and take subject to all reservations, restrictions, covenants, exceptions, notifications, conditions and agreements hereinafter set forth in this Deed Without Warranty, does hereby grant, convey, remise, release and forever quitclaim to the Grantee, its successors and assigns, pursuant to the reservations, restrictions, covenants, exceptions, notifications, conditions and agreements hereinafter set forth, fee simple, in and to, that certain real property known as the NRCS Waco Property, City of Waco, McLennan County, Texas, (hereinafter referred to as the "Property"), and described in detail as follows:

Legal Description of Fee Estate

A TRACT OF LAND BEING a portion of Blocks Five (5) and Eight (8) in Division A of the Subdivision of Fraction F of the Tomas de la Vega Eleven League Grant Deed executed by the City of Waco to the United States of America dated May 6, 1941, recorded in Volume 490, Page 367, McLennan County Deed Records, and further described in the Deed Without Warranty executed by the United States of America to the City of Waco dated December 10, 1957, recorded in Volume 815, Page 242 of the Deed Records of McLennan County, Texas.

The property being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the southwest corner of Lot 14 of said Block 8; THENCE north 62 degrees east along the south or southeast line of said Block 8, a distance of 300 feet to the southeast corner of Lot 9 of said Block 8; THENCE north 28 degrees west along the east or northeast line of Lot 9 and Lot 6 of said Block 8, a distance of 168 feet to a point for a corner, said point being 48.78 feet north 28 degrees west from the southeast corner of Lot 6 of said Block 8; THENCE south 62 degrees west, a distance of 115 feet, parallel to the south or southeast line of said Block 8 to a point for a corner, said point being 15 feet west from the east or northeast line of and 48.79 feet north from the south or southeast line of Lot 4 of said Block 8; THENCE north 28 degrees west parallel to the west or southwest line of said Blocks 8 and 5, a distance of 232 feet, to a point for a corner, said point being 15 feet west from the east or northeast line of and 13.56 feet north from the south or southeast line of Lot 4 of said Block 5; THENCE south 62 degrees west parallel to the south or southeast line of said Block 5, a distance of 185 feet to a point for a corner, said point being 13.56 feet, north 28 degrees west from the southwest corner of Lot 1 of said Block 5; THENCE south 28 degrees east, along the west or southwest line of said Blocks 5 and 8, a distance of 400 feet to the place of beginning;

The above tract of land containing 2.142 acres of land, more or less.

LESS AND EXCEPT the parcel of land previously transferred to the Texas Highway Department, State of Texas on January 3, 1967 for Highway purposes and recorded in Volume 1001, Page 480, et. seq., McLennan County Deed Records and BEING 1,832 square feet of land more or less, same being out of and part of Lots 1, 2 and 14, Block 5, Division A – League – Gill Subdivision a subdivision of a portion of the Tomas de la Vega Grant, Abstract No. 43 in the City of Waco, McLennan County, Texas, according to a map or plat of said subdivision of record in Volume 111, Page 112 Deed Records of McLennan County, Texas, which Lots, 1, 2 and 14 Block 5 are a part of that certain 2.142 acre tract conveyed by City of Waco to the United States of America by deed dated May 6, 1941 of record in Volume 490, Page 367 of the deed records of McLennan County, Texas, which 1,832 square feet of land is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the point of intersection of the northeast line of Price Street with the proposed east right of way line of Interstate Highway 35; said point of intersection being North 31° 20' West, 350 feet from the southwest corner of Lot 14, Block 8 of Division A – League Gill Subdivision;

THENCE North 31° 20' West along the northeast line of Price Street a distance of 50.00 feet to the northwest corner of U.S. Department of Agriculture tract of land;

THENCE North 58° 40' East a distance of 73.26 feet to a point in the proposed east right of way line of Interstate Highway 35;

Thence South 24° 21' 12" West along said proposed right of way line a distance of 88.70 feet to the place of beginning.

The above described tract of land containing 0.042 acres, (1,832 sq. ft.), more or less.

LESS AND EXCEPT 0.035 acres of Land, surveyed by Landesign Services, Inc., out of the Tomas De Le Vega Grant, Abstract No. 43 in McLennan County, Texas and being part of Lots 13, 14, and 2, Block 5, of the Plat of the Fraction "F" of the Tomas De La Vega 11 League Grant recorded in Volume 111, Page 112 of the Deed Records of McLennan County, Texas (D.R.M.C.T.) and being part of the remainder of Block 5 conveyed to the United States of America in Deed Recorded in Volume 490, Page 367 of the D.R.M.C.T.; and more particularly described by Metes and Bounds as follows:

COMMENCING at a set of 5/8" iron rod with plastic cap stamped "Landesign" on the west line of Lot 1, Block 8, the existing east right-of-way line of Price Street as shown in Volume 111, Page 112 of the D.R.M.C.T. from which a found Type II Monument bears South 59° 41' 15" west 50.00 feet for the northeast corner of a tract of land described in deed to Catherine Porter recorded in Volume 1741, Page 237; THENCE North 30° 18' 45" West 127.54 feet with the west line of Lot 1, Block 8, west end of May Street, the west line of Lot 14, Block 8 and the existing east line of Price Street to a set 5/8" iron rod with Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) aluminum cap for the POINT OF BEGINNING:

(1) THENCE North 30° 18' 45" West 16.38 feet with the west line of lot 14, Block 5 and the existing east right-of-way line of Price Street to a set 5/8" iron rod with plastic cap stamped "Landesign" at the northwest corner of the remainder of Lot 14, Block 5, the southwest corner of a 1832 square foot Tract described in deed to the State of Texas recorded in Volume 1001, Page 480 of the D.R.M.C.T. and the existing east right-of-way line of Interstate Highway 35 (IH 35);

(2) THENCE North 25° 38' 50" East 87.07 feet with the remainder of Block 5 and the existing east right-of-way line of IH 35 to a set 5/8" iron rod with plastic cap stamped "Landesign" at the north corner of the remainder of said United States of America Tract and the northwest corner of a Tract of land conveyed to the City of Waco in deed recorded in Volume 316, Page 371 of the D.R.M.C.T.;

(3) THENCE North 60° 35' 52" East 28.15 feet through Block 5 with the north line of the remainder of said United States of America Tract and the west line of said City of Waco Tract to a set 5/8" iron rod with TxDOT aluminum cap on the proposed east right-of-way line of IH 35 and the beginning of an Access Denial Line;

(4) THENCE South 26° 52' 14" West 119.34 feet through Block 5 with the proposed east right-of-way line of IH 35 and the Access Denial Line to the POINT OF BEGINNING and the end of the Access Denial Line;
This parcel contains 0.035 of an acre of land and 119.34 linear feet of Access Denial Line, of the Tomas De Le Vega Grant, Abstract No. 43 in McLennan County, Texas.

The above described tract of land containing 2.064 acres, more or less and hereinafter referred to as the "Property".

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the Property, together with all improvements, hereditaments, appurtenances, therein and all reversions, remainders, issues, profits and other rights belonging or related thereto, and subject all reservations, restrictions, covenants, exceptions, notifications, conditions, and agreements herein set forth in this Deed without Warranty, either in law or in equity, for the use, benefit, and behalf of the Grantee, its successors and assigns forever.

II. ASSIGNMENT OF EASEMENT

In addition, Grantor, for the consideration described in Section I above, does hereby grant and assign the following easement hereinafter described:

Description of Easement

AN EASEMENT described in the Deed Without Warranty executed by the United States of America to the City of Waco dated December 10, 1957, recorded in Volume 815, Page 242 of the Deed Records of McLennan County, Texas. Being further described as an existing sanitary sewer line together with a 15-foot wide easement for the United States and its assigns for operation and maintenance, repair, removal and replacement of said line which easement lies 7 1/2 feet on each side of center line of said existing sewer line which sewer line enters the property at its northwesterly, southwesterly boundary at a point approximately 75 feet north 62 degrees east of the most northwesterly, southerly corner of the property and extends northwesterly and southwesterly across the property to a point on the northwesterly boundary.

III. SPECIAL AND GENERAL EXCEPTIONS AFFECTING THE PROPERTY

This Deed without Warranty covering the Property is expressly made subject to the following matters to the extent and only to the extent the same are valid and subsisting and affect the Property:

A. All existing licenses, permits, servitudes and right-of-way including, but not limited to State highway department driveway permits, easements and rights-of-way for public streets, roads and highways, public utilities, electric power lines, electric transmission facilities, railroads, pipelines, ditches, conduits and canals on, over and across said land, whether or not of record.

B. All existing interest(s) reserved to or outstanding in third parties in and to water rights, ditch and reservoir rights, as well as oil, gas, and/or minerals, whether or not of record.

C. All other existing interests reserved by any grantor(s) in chain of title unto said grantor(s), their respective successors and assigns, which affect any portion of the Property interest(s) hereinabove described, whether or not of record.

D. Any survey discrepancies, conflicts, or shortages in area or boundary lines, or any encroachments, or protrusions, or any overlapping of improvements which may affect the subject Property.

E. Existing ordinances or resolutions, special purpose district rules and regulations, including soil conservation district rules and regulations and water conservancy district rules and regulations, filed of public record and affecting all or any portion of the subject Property.

IV. RESERVATIONS/COVENANTS COVERING THE PARCELS

This Deed without Warranty covering the Property is expressly made subject to the following reservations in favor of Grantor, and its assigns.

SAVE AND EXCEPT and there is hereby reserved unto Grantor, and its assigns, all rights and interests which have been previously reserved to the United States in any Patent(s) which cover(s) the Property.

SAVE AND EXCEPT, and there is hereby excepted and reserved unto the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, and its assigns, all right, title and interest in and to all oil, gas, hydrocarbons, and other minerals that may be produced in and under the Property; including, but not limited to the following attributes in connection with its right to take, develop and produce such, oil, gas, hydrocarbons, and minerals: (1) the right in ingress and egress to the Property, (2) the right to lease, (3) the right to receive bonus payments, (4) the right to receive delay rentals, and (5) the right to receive royalty payments.

V. CERCLA NOTICES, COVENANTS AND RESERVATIONS

This Deed without Warranty is expressly made subject to the following CERCLA information and specific reservations, covenants and agreements in favor of Grantor, and its assigns.

A. Notice of Hazardous Substance Activity. Pursuant to 40 CFR §373.2 and Section 120(h)(3)(A)(i) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended (CERCLA)(42 U.S.C. §9620(h)(3)(A)(i)), and based upon a complete search of agency files, the United States of America gives notice that no hazardous substances have been released, or disposed of, or stored for one year or more on the Property.

B. CERCLA Covenant. Grantor warrants that all remedial action necessary to protect human health and the environment has been taken before the date of this Deed without Warranty. Grantor warrants that it shall take any additional response action found to be necessary after the date of this Deed without Warranty regarding hazardous substances located on the Property on the date of this quitclaim.

1. This covenant shall not apply:

a. in any case in which Grantee, its successor(s) or assign(s), or any successor in interest to the Property or part thereof is a Potentially Responsible Party (PRP) with respect to the Property immediately prior to the date of this Deed without Warranty; **OR**

b. to the extent that such additional response action or part thereof found to be necessary is the result of an act or failure to act of the Grantee, its successor(s) or assign(s), or any party in possession after the date of this Deed without Warranty that either:

(1) results in a release or threatened release of a hazardous substance that was not located on the Property on the date of this Deed without Warranty; **OR**

(2) causes or exacerbates the release or threatened release of a hazardous substance the existence and location of which were known and identified to the applicable regulatory authority as of the date of this Deed without Warranty; **OR**

(3) in the case of a hazardous substance(s) previously unknown by Grantor and Grantee as of the date of this conveyance but which is hereafter discovered by Grantee, its successor(s) or assign(s), or any party in possession and where after such discovery, Grantee, its successor(s) or assign(s), or any party in possession thereafter causes or exacerbates a release or threatened release of such hazardous substance(s).

2. In the event Grantee, its heir(s), successor(s) or assign(s), seeks to have Grantor conduct or pay for any additional response action, and, as a condition precedent to Grantor incurring any additional cleanup obligation or related expenses, the Grantee, its heir(s), successor(s) or assign(s), shall provide Grantor at least 45 days written notice of such a claim and provide credible evidence that: (a) the associated contamination existed prior to the date of this Deed without Warranty; and (b) the need to conduct any additional response action or part thereof was not the result of any act or failure to act by the Grantee, its heir(s), successor(s) or assign(s), or any party in possession.

C. Access. Grantor reserves a right of access to all portions of the Property for environmental investigation, remediation or other corrective action. This reservation includes the right of access to and use of available utilities at reasonable cost to Grantor. These rights shall be exercisable in any case in which a remedial action, response action or corrective action is found to be necessary after the date of this conveyance, or in which access is necessary to carry out a remedial action, response action, or corrective action on adjoining property. Pursuant to this reservation, the United States of America, and its respective officers, agents, employees, contractors and subcontractors shall have the right (upon reasonable advance written notice to the record title owner) to enter upon the Property and conduct investigations and surveys, to include drilling, test-pitting, borings, data and records compilation and other activities related to environmental investigation, and to carry out remedial or removal actions as required or necessary, including but not limited to the installation and operation of monitoring wells, pumping wells, and treatment facilities. Any such entry, including such activities, responses or remedial actions, shall be coordinated with record title owner and shall be performed in a manner that minimizes interruption with activities of authorized occupants.

D. Non-Disturbance Clause. Grantee covenants and agrees for itself, its heirs, successors and assigns and every successor in interest to the Property, or part thereof, that a party occupying any of the Property shall not interfere, hinder or prevent Grantor, the United States Government, and its officers, agents, employees, contractors and subcontractors, in conducting any required remedial investigations, response actions or oversight activities on the Property or adjoining property.

VI. OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL NOTICES, COVENANTS AND RESERVATIONS

A. NOTICE OF THE PRESENCE OF ASBESTOS - WARNING!

1. The Grantee is warned that the property contains asbestos-containing materials. Unprotected or unregulated exposures to asbestos in product manufacturing, shipyard, and building construction workplaces have been associated with

asbestos-related diseases. Both the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulate asbestos because of the potential hazards associated with exposure to airborne asbestos fibers. Both OSHA and EPA have determined that such exposure increases the risk of asbestos-related diseases, which include certain cancers and which can result in disability or death.

2. Grantee is invited, urged and cautioned to inspect the property as to its asbestos content and condition and any hazardous or environmental conditions relating thereto. The disposal agency will assist Grantee in obtaining any authorization(s) which may be required in order to carry out any such inspection(s). Grantee shall be deemed to have relied solely on their own judgment in assessing the overall condition of all or any portion of the property including, without limitation, any asbestos hazards or concerns.

3. No warranties either express or implied are given with regard to the condition of the property including, without limitation, whether the property does or does not contain asbestos or is or is not safe for a particular purpose.

4. The description of the property set forth in the Conveyance Document and any other information provided therein with respect to said property is based on the best information available to the disposal agency and is believed to be correct, but any error or omission, including but not limited to the omission of any information available to the agency having custody over the property and/or any other Federal agency, shall not constitute grounds for any claim by the Grantee against the Government.

5. The Government assumes no liability for damages for personal injury, illness, disability or death, to the Grantee, or to the Grantee's successors, assigns, employees, invitees, or any other person subject to Grantee's control or direction, or to any other person, including members of the general public, arising from or incident to the purchase, transportation, removal, handling, use, disposition, or other activity causing or leading to contact of any kind whatsoever with asbestos on the property which is the subject of this conveyance, whether the Grantee, its successors or assigns has or have properly warned or failed properly to warn the individual(s) injured.

6. The Grantee further agrees that in its use and occupancy of the property it will comply with all Federal, state, and local laws relating to asbestos.

B. Notice of Lead-Based Paint for Non-Residential Real Property Constructed Prior to 1978

Every purchaser of any interest in real property on which a building was built prior to 1978 is notified that such property may present exposure to lead from lead-based paint that may place young children at risk of developing lead poisoning. Lead poisoning in young children may produce permanent neurological damage, including learning disabilities, reduced intelligence quotient, behavioral problems, and impaired memory. Lead poisoning also poses a particular risk to pregnant women. The seller of any interest in residential real property is required to provide the buyer with any information on lead-based paint hazards from risk assessments or inspections in the seller's possession and notify the buyer of any known lead-based paint hazards. A risk assessment or inspection for possible lead-based paint hazards is recommended prior to converting the property to a residential dwelling.

C. Notice of Pesticide Application

The Grantee is notified that the Property may contain the presence of pesticides that have been applied in the management of the property. The United States knows of no use of any registered pesticide in a manner inconsistent with its labeling, and believes that all applications were made in accordance with the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA -- 7 U.S.C. Sec. 136, et seq.), its implementing regulations, and according to the labeling provided with such substances. Furthermore, that in accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA -- 42 U.S.C. Sec. 9601, et seq.), the use of such substances is not a "release" (as defined in CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. Sec. 9601 (22)), but instead the use of a consumer product in consumer use (42 U.S.C. Sec. 9601(9)), and the application of a pesticide product registered under FIFRA for which recovery for response costs is not allowed (42 U.S.C. Sec. 9607(i)).

D. Notice of 100-Year Floodplain

1. The Property is located in a 100 Year Floodplain. Grantee for itself and its successors and assigns, agrees and covenants that any development located within any portion of the above described Property will be subject to applicable 100 Year Floodplain regulations and other applicable Federal, state, and local statutes, and ordinances related to flood hazard. The Grantee agrees to comply with all federal, State and local regulations pertaining to use and development of the Property, including all applicable federal, state and local floodplain regulations. The

Grantee and all successors and assigns shall save and hold the Grantor harmless in the event of damage to or loss of life or property resulting directly or indirectly from flooding.

2. The Property is currently located within the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) Panel 2201390885C (FEMA 1990). The property is located within a 100-year floodplain and mapped as Zone 99, which is defined by FEMA as special flood hazard areas subject to the 1% annual chance of flood where base flood elevations have been determined. The Property is located within the Louisiana Plaquemines Parish (Unincorporated Areas) NFIP Community No. 220139 (FEMA 2012). A 100-year coastal floodplain (Zone V10) is located immediately north of the levee along the Mississippi River and a 100-year floodplain (Zone A3) is located south of Highway 11 approximately .3 miles south of the Property. Use of the Property may be restricted under federal, state or local floodplain regulations, such as 44 C.F.R. Part 60 Subpart A, La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§ 38:84 & 38.84.1, and local community ordinances and codes.

VII. MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES, TERMS, CONDITIONS, AGREEMENTS, AND COVENANTS

Except as otherwise provided by 42 U.S.C. 9620(h)(3), Grantee covenants for itself, its heirs, assigns and every successor in interest to the Property herein described or any part thereof that it shall abide by each of the following covenants, each of which will be covenants running with the land. In addition, the United States of America shall be deemed a beneficiary of each of the following covenants without regard to whether it remains the owner of any land or interest therein in the locality of the Property hereby conveyed and shall have a right to enforce each of the covenants herein in any court of competent jurisdiction; provided, however, the United States of America shall have no affirmative duty to any successor in title to this conveyance to enforce any of the following covenants herein agreed.

A. Grantee has inspected the described and conveyed Property and has satisfied itself that the property is free of any hazardous substances or petroleum products or their derivatives, calcium hypochlorite, batteries and insecticides, and Grantee, for itself and its heirs, successors and assigns, covenants and agrees to indemnify, protect, defend, save and hold harmless the United States of America, and its employees, officers, representatives, attorneys and agents, from and against any and all debts, duties, obligations, liabilities, suits, claims, demands, causes of action, damages, losses, cost and expenses (including without limitation, attorneys' fees and expenses and court costs) in any way relating to, connected with, and/or arising out of the discovery of any hazardous substance(s) or petroleum product(s) or their derivatives, calcium hypochlorite, batteries and insecticides which may have contaminated the hereinabove and conveyed Property after the date of the delivery of this conveyance, including but not limited to, any environmental response action, corrective action, or removal, monitoring, investigation, sampling, or testing in connection therewith.

B. "AS IS, WHERE IS PROVISION":

a. GRANTEE AGREES AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT GRANTOR IS SELLING THE PROPERTY STRICTLY ON AN "AS IS, WHERE IS", WITH ALL FAULTS BASIS, WITHOUT WARRANTY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, WITH ANY AND ALL LATENT AND PATENT DEFECTS. GRANTEE ACKNOWLEDGES THAT GRANTOR HAS MADE THE PROPERTY AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION BY GRANTEE AND GRANTEE'S REPRESENTATIVES. GRANTEE HAS INSPECTED, OR WILL HAVE INSPECTED PRIOR TO CLOSING, THE PHYSICAL CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY TO THE EXTENT FELT NECESSARY BY GRANTEE, INCLUDING ALL IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, AND ACCEPTS TITLE TO THE SAME "AS IS" IN ITS EXISTING PHYSICAL CONDITION. GRANTEE ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT IS NOT RELYING UPON ANY REPRESENTATION, WARRANTY STATEMENT OR OTHER ASSERTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AS GRANTOR, INCLUDING ITS AGENCIES OR ANY OFFICIAL, AGENT REPRESENTATIVE OR EMPLOYEE OF THE FOREGOING, WITH RESPECT TO THE PROPERTY'S CONDITIONS. EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN THE CONTRACT, GRANTEE IS RELYING SOLELY AND WHOLLY ON GRANTEE'S OWN EXAMINATION OF THE PROPERTY, IS FULLY SATISFIED WITH THE PROPERTY, AND ACCEPTS ANY LIABILITIES OR COSTS ARISING IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO ANY COSTS OR LIABILITIES PERTAINING TO ANY ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION V, ABOVE, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND ITS AGENCIES DISCLAIM ANY AND ALL EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTIES AND SPECIFICALLY MAKE NO WARRANTIES OF TITLE, HABITABILITY, MERCHANTABILITY, SUITABILITY, FITNESS FOR ANY PURPOSE, OR ANY OTHER WARRANTY WHATSOEVER. GRANTEE IS PUT ON NOTICE THAT ANY PRIOR GRANT AND/OR ENCUMBRANCE MAY BE OF RECORD AND

GRANTEE IS ADVISED TO EXAMINE ALL PUBLIC RECORDS AVAILABLE REGARDING THE PROPERTY.

b. NO EMPLOYEE OR AGENT OF GRANTOR IS AUTHORIZED TO MAKE ANY REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY AS TO THE QUALITY OR CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY, MERCHANTABILITY, SUITABILITY OR FITNESS OF THE PROPERTY FOR ANY USE WHATSOEVER, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN TO GRANTOR, OR COMPLIANCE WITH ANY ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, POLLUTION OR LAND USE LAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, ORDERS, OR REQUIREMENTS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THOSE PERTAINING TO THE HANDLING, GENERATING, TREATING, STORING, OR DISPOSING OF ANY HAZARDOUS WASTE OR SUBSTANCE. IN NO EVENT SHALL GRANTOR BE RESPONSIBLE OR LIABLE FOR LATENT OR PATENT DEFECTS OR FAULTS, IF ANY, IN THE PROPERTY OR FOR REMEDYING OR REPAIRING THE SAME INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, DEFECTS RELATED TO ASBESTOS OR ASBESTOS CONTAINING MATERIALS, LEAD, LEAD-BASED PAINT, UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS, MOLD, RADON OR HAZARDOUS OR TOXIC MATERIALS, CHEMICALS OR WASTE, OR FOR CONSTRUCTING OR REPAIRING ANY STREETS, UTILITIES OR OTHER IMPROVEMENTS SHOWN ON ANY PLAT OF THE PROPERTY.

c. NOTHING IN THIS "AS IS, WHERE IS" PROVISION WILL BE CONSTRUED TO MODIFY OR NEGATE THE GRANTOR'S OBLIGATION UNDER THE CERCLA COVENANT OR ANY OTHER STATUTORY OBLIGATIONS.

C. NOTICE OF NAVIGABLE AIRSPACE: Based upon coordination between the General Services Administration and the Federal Aviation Administration (the "FAA") as recommended in House Report Number 95-1053 entitled "FAA Determination of 'No Hazard' for Structures Near Airports," it has been determined that a public airport is located within six nautical miles of the Property. To the extent required by law, the Grantee, its successors and assigns must comply with Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 77, "Objects Affecting Navigable Airspace," of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958, as amended. This restriction shall run with the Property.

D. DOCUMENT BOX: At such time as a building is demolished, if any document box is found, which should be located behind the cornerstone, it shall remain the property of the Government and shall be delivered, unopened to the National Archives and Records Service, Washington, DC.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the **United States of America** has caused these presents to be executed this ____ day of _____, 2015.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Acting by and through the
Administrator of General Services

By: _____

MELVIN E. FREEMAN

Director

Real Property Utilization & Disposal Division

Greater Southwest Region

General Services Administration

THE STATE OF TEXAS X

COUNTY OF TARRANT X

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public in and for the State of Texas, on this day personally appeared MELVIN E. FREEMAN, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing Deed without Warranty, and known to me to be the Director, Real Property Utilization & Disposal Division, Greater Southwest Region, General Services Administration, Fort Worth, Texas, and acknowledged to me that the same was the act and deed of the United States of America and of the Administrator of General Services and that he executed the same as the voluntary act of the United States of America and of the Administrator of General Services for the purposes and consideration therein expressed and in the capacity therein stated.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Fort Worth, Texas, this ____ day of _____, 2015.

Notary Public State of Texas

Notary's Name: _____

My Commission Expires: _____

BIDDER REGISTRATION AND BID FORM FOR PURCHASE OF GOVERNMENT REAL PROPERTY

NRCS Waco Property
200 South Price Street
Waco, TX 76704
SALE # FTWOR715010001
IFB #: GSA-R-1804
REGISTRATION DEPOSIT: \$7,500.00

USERNAME: _____
 (as established at RealEstateSales.gov)

Bidder Information: Please print or type legibly.

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: (_____) _____ Fax: (_____) _____
 E-mail: _____ @ _____

BIDDER REPRESENTS THAT HE/SHE OPERATES AS (check which applies) see Page 13, Paragraph 13, Bid Executed on Behalf of Bidder for instructions:

- ☐ An individual _____
☐ A partnership consisting of _____
☐ A trustee, acting for _____

THE FOLLOWING MUST PROVIDE THEIR CERTIFICATE OF CORPORATE/ORGANIZATION BIDDER – SEE NEXT PAGE

- ☐ A limited liability partnership consisting of _____
☐ A corporation, incorporated in the State of _____
☐ A limited liability company _____

Registration Deposit (check one):

- ☐ By certified or cashier's check made payable to the **U.S. General Services Administration**
 TIN or SS# _____ (please provide to expedite refund)
☐ By Credit/Debit Card: _____ Exp: ____/____ CSC/CVC ____ ____
☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Debit
☐ Discover ☐ American Express

Name of Bidder as it appears on credit card _____

Certification and Authorization

The undersigned bidder hereby offers and agrees to purchase the Property as described in the accompanying Invitation for Bids (IFB) for the bid price entered above or for increased bids placed online by the undersigned, if any bid is accepted by the Government within sixty (60) calendar days after the auction close date. This Bid Form is made subject to the terms of IFB No. 1804 including the Property Description, General Terms of Sale, Instructions to Bidders, Notices and Covenants, Bidder Registration and Bid Form For Purchase of Government Real Property, and any associated amendments to the IFB, all of which are incorporated herein and by reference made a part of any initial bid and subsequent bids placed online at RealEstateSales.gov. If a bidder is providing the Registration Deposit by credit card, the bidder must be the authorized cardholder and agrees that his or her credit card account will be debited the full amount of the Registration Deposit, as specified in the IFB. In the event the bidder is not the Purchaser, the Registration Deposits will only be refunded as specified in the IFB. Information collected herein is governed by the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. Section 552a) and is being collected only to register a bidder for the sale of Government property.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Send Registration Form with Registration Deposit to:

U.S. General Services Administration
 Real Property Utilization and Disposal (7PZ)
 819 Taylor Street, Rm. 11A30
 Fort Worth, TX 76102
 Attn: Joe Potter

FAX: (817) 978-2063

CERTIFICATE OF CORPORATE/ORGANIZATION BIDDER

(For use with Bidder Registration and Bid Form for Purchase of Government Real Property
see Page 13, Paragraph 13, Bid Executed On Behalf Of Bidder for instructions)

**NRCS Waco Property
200 South Price Street
Waco, TX 76704**

THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED BY SOMEONE OTHER THAN THE BIDDER
(UNLESS THE BIDDER IS THE SOLE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE
CORPORATION/ORGANIZATION)

I, _____, certify that I am _____
(Secretary or Other Title)

of the Corporation/Organization named as bidder herein; that _____
(Name of Authorized Representative)

who signed this Bid Form for Purchase of Government Property on behalf of the bidder was then

_____ of said Corporation/Organization; that said bid was
(Official Title)

duly signed for and on behalf of said Corporation/Organization by authority of its governing body and is
within the scope of its corporate/organization powers.

(Signature of Certifying Officer/Manager)

(Corporate Seal Here, if applicable)

**BUYER'S BROKER PARTICIPATION
REGISTRATION FORM**NRCS Waco Property
200 South Price Street
Waco, TX 76704Enter Client's RealEstateSales.gov
User ID Here**SALE NUMBER FTWOR715010001**

BROKER/AGENT: _____

COMPANY NAME: _____

COMPANY ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

AGENT LICENSE #: _____ **BROKER NUMBER LIC. #:** _____

TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: _____

OFFICE PHONE: _____ FAX: _____

MOBILE PHONE: _____

Client (Buyer/Bidder) Information

CLIENT _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

HOME PH: _____ OFFICE PH: _____ MOBILE PH: _____

Broker/Client Certification

The broker, by placing his/her signature below, certifies, agrees, and acknowledges that:

1. The broker will not claim any exceptions to the procedures outlined in the Invitation for Bids.
2. Only written registration will qualify broker for commission.
3. Only the first Bidder Registration of a prospective Bidder will be accepted and honored.
4. The broker will hold harmless and indemnify the Government from any and all claims with regard to such commission.
5. The broker will be paid a commission only as set forth under the terms and conditions of the IFB pertaining to the specific property being auctioned.
6. The broker may not receive a commission without a "Buyer Representation Agreement" or other such agreement with the Bidder. The Government will require full payment of the bid amount if the signature of the buyer/bidder on the Buyer's Broker Participation Registration Form is missing.
7. The broker cannot participate in the auction and receive any commission in conjunction with any other co-brokerage or referral agreement between the Government and broker.
8. The broker represents the buyer/bidder (client) listed in the Buyer's Broker Participation Registration Form as his or her agent.
9. The broker is not a subagent of Government, has no agreement(s) with the Government, and represents his or her client (buyer/bidder) as an agent.

The broker's client (buyer/bidder), by placing his/her signature below, certifies, agrees, and acknowledges that:

1. He or she has read, understood and complied with the terms stated in the Invitation for Bids.
2. He or she shall hold harmless and indemnify the Government from any and all representations made by the buyer's broker.
3. Commission shall be paid only to broker representing client (buyer/bidder) as shown on this form.
4. Commission is prohibited if the buyer is a real estate broker, agent, or salesperson, or is a controlling owner, partner, officer, corporate or organization board member, employer or employee of the brokerage entity that claims to represent the buyer as an agent.

BUYER/BIDDER SIGNATURE:_____

DATE:_____

BROKER/AGENT SIGNATURE:_____

DATE:_____

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Waco, TX 76704

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